Monkey Caught In Hyattstown Fire Station

A barrel of monkeys may be lots of fun, but one monkey in a fire house can be hilarious, too. That is if you are not trying to catch it.

Four volunteer fireman from the Hyattstown Fire Department learned this Saturday evening when they tried to capture a monkey running loose in the fire hall.

Several crates of monkeys were shipped to the Hyattstown area for use at a research laboratory. Friday afternoon three monkeys escaped.

One of the monkeys was seen by residents in the area climbing around a barn, located directly across from the fire company. On Saturday evening, rain forced the little creature to search for a drier shelter.

Fireman chased the monkey around the fire house for about 45 minutes, as it swung from the rafters and took hiding in every nook and corner it could find.

Finally, the four volunteers, Wayne Knott, Bedford Dodson, John Hawse and Francis (Buddy) May managed to trap the monkey under a garbage can, which they turned upside down over him.

The monkey was returned to the laboratory that evening. The others are still on the loose.